

DECLARATION AND VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION)
CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 C.F.R.
§ 1.9(f) AND § 1.27(b)) — INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare:

that my residence, address and citizenship are as stated
below next to my name;

that I verily believe I am the original and first inventor of
the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought in the
application **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SOLICITING AND RECEIVING MERCHANDISE
ORDERS** which application is the attached application;

that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the
specification of the above-identified application, including the
claims;

that I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I
am aware which is material to the examination of this application
under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a);

that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37
C.F.R. § 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Sections
41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and
Trademark Office with regard to the above-identified invention;

that I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and
am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant,
convey or license any rights in the invention to any person who
could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern
which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37
C.F.R. § 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.9(e).

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or
patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of
entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time
of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee
due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer
appropriate. (37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b).)

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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